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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners: Ruth Y. Goldway, Chairman;

Robert G. Taub, Vice Chairman;

Mark Acton;

Tony Hammond; and

Nanci E. Langley

Competitive Product Prices Global Plus 2C Contracts (MC2012-5) Negotiated Service Agreements Docket No. CP2012-11

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued January 8, 2013)

The negotiated service agreement approved in this proceeding (Existing Agreement) is set to expire January 13, 2013. The Postal Service requests that the terms and conditions of the Existing Agreement be extended to the day prior to the effective date of the successor agreement which the Postal Service intends to file with the Commission on January 8, 2013. Notice at 1-2.

The effective date of the successor agreement is expected to be January 23, 2013,² resulting in a gap between the expiration of the Existing Agreement

¹ See Motion of United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, January 7, 2013 (Motion).

² This allows the Postal Service to satisfy the 15 days' advance notice requirement in 39 CFR 3015.5.

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and the effective date of the successor agreement. *Id.* at 1. To maintain continuity, the Postal Service requests a brief extension of the Existing Agreement. *Id.* at 2.

The Motion is granted. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue until the effective date of the successor agreement. Allowing the Existing Agreement to remain in effect temporarily is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person.

It is ordered:

- The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed January 7, 2013, is granted.
- 2. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue until the effective date of the successor agreement.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove Secretary